


BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2003-169-C – ORDER NO. 2003-500
AUGUST 13, 2003

IN RE:	Application of Gates Communications, Inc.)	ORDER ESTABLISHING
	for a Certificate of Public Convenience and)	PREFILING DEADLINES
	Necessity to Operate as a Reseller of)	
	Interexchange Telecommunications Services)	
	within the State of South Carolina and for)	
	Approval of Alternative Regulation)	



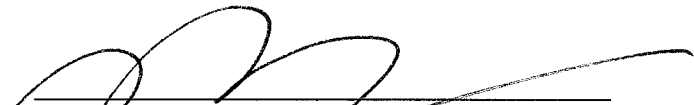
This matter is before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for the purpose of establishing prefiling deadlines for testimony and exhibits. Pursuant to 26 S.C. Regs.103-869(C)(Supp. 2002), the Commission hereby orders that twenty-five copies of the direct testimony and exhibits of the Applicant shall be prefiled on or before **September 17, 2003**, and that twenty-five copies of the direct testimony and exhibits of the Commission Staff and/or any intervenors shall be prefiled on or before **October 1, 2003**. (Direct testimony and exhibits may be post-marked on these dates.) Also, any rebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be prefiled on or before **October 5, 2003**, and any surrebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be prefiled on or before **October 10, 2003**. (Rebuttal testimony and exhibits and surrebuttal testimony and exhibits must be in the offices of the Commission and in the hands of the parties on these dates.) It should be noted that acceptance into the record of surrebuttal testimony and exhibits is subject to the discretion of the Commission.

Further, the Applicant shall prefile with its testimony and exhibits twenty-five copies of any script(s) employed by the Applicant or its telemarketers for the solicitation and sale of its long distance services in other jurisdictions, or an outline of the Applicant's telemarketing procedures and/or training materials for telemarketers. In addition, parties shall serve their pre-filed testimony and exhibits (and/or scripts or other materials) on all other parties of record as required by the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All parties are reminded that all witnesses must be present during any hearing in this matter at the call of the Chairman, or the Commission may decline to allow the witnesses' testimony to be read into the record of the proceeding, and/or may decline to allow the witnesses' exhibits to be entered into the evidence of the case.

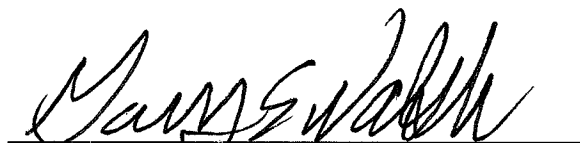
Please take note that any party requesting modification of this schedule must file a request for such modification with the Commission.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Mignon L. Clyburn, Chairman

ATTEST:


Gary E. Walsh, Executive Director

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